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SUBJ: DETENTION OF ABC TELEVISION STRINGER

1. PRESS ATTACHE RECEIVED CALLS TODAY FROM AFP AND AP INQUIRING ABOUT ALLEGED DETENTION OF U.S. TELEVISION CORRESPONDENT YESTERDAY AFTERNOON. AP SOURCE STATED HE BELIEVED PERSON INVOLVED TO BE GEORGE ROTH, U.K. OR CANADIAN SUBJECT WORKING AS STRINGER FOR ABC TELEVISION.

2. CALL OF OFFICE OF JUNTA PRESS SECRETARY RESULTED IN CONFIRMATION THAT (A) "GEORGE ROTH (CANADIAN SUBJECT) WAS DETAINED YESTERDAY AFTERNOON AND IS BEING PLACED IN CUSTODY OF CARABINEROS TODAY; (B) CASE WILL BE PRESENTED TO FOREIGN OFFICE FOR DETERMINATION WHETHER TO EXPEL ROTH FOR (C) ALLEGED TRANSMISSION OF FALSE INFORMATION ABOUT CHILE." SOURCE OFFERED INFO ON "EXTRA-OFFICIAL" (NOT FOR RELEASE) BASIS ALSO ADDING THAT ROTH'S FATHER CLAIMED SON HAD NO MARXIST INVOLVEMENT, HAD ONCE BEEN EXPELLED FROM ALLENDE PRESS CONFERENCE AND BEATEN BY ALLENDE BODYGUARD.

3. FYI: ABC FILM CREW HEADED BY ARTHUR HOLCH AND CHARLES MURPHY RECENTLY VISITED CHILE, FILMED INTERVIEWS WITH JUNTA REPRESENTATIVES, AND VISITED DAWSON ISLAND WHERE FORMER UP POLITICAL LEADERS BEING DETAINED.

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UNABLE CONFIRM ROTH'S CITIZENSHIP BUT BELIEVE HE

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